



Walden Pond State Reservation

Department of Conservation and Recreation

SEPTEMBER 2023 PROGRAMS

Programs are free and open to the public. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Reasonable accommodations upon request. Email walden.programs@mass.gov or call (978) 405-2082. No dogs/pets allowed on premises year-round. Park closes when visitor capacity is reached—DCR Closure Alert: <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/dcr-park-alerts>.

Daily 10:00am-4:00pm	VISITOR CENTER Exhibits, <i>Walden</i> Film, and Gallery Investigate the life & legacy of Thoreau through exhibits, art, and film. <i>Walden</i> shows every 1/2 hour, last show at 3:30pm. Photo Gallery exhibition, <i>Scenes and Natural Spaces</i> , by local photographer Dave Witherbee, August-October.
Daily	SELF-GUIDED STORYWALK® <i>Why Do Leaves Change Color</i> By Besty Maestro, Woods Path Trail Ever wonder why leaves turn color in the Fall? Find out with this picture book posted on the accessible Thoreau House Site Trail, an easy 1/2 mile, crushed stone surface trail. All ages. <small>The StoryWalk® Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT and developed in collaboration with the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. StoryWalk® is a registered service mark owned by Ms. Ferguson.</small>
Sundays	Excavation at Walden 12:00-2:00pm House Site Meet with a Park Interpreter to learn about Archeologist Roland Wells Robins, and his rediscovery of the Thoreau House site. All ages.
Mondays	September Saunter 2:00-3:30pm Visitor Center Meet a Park Interpreter for a 1/2 mile walk to Thoreau’s original house site, where you will look, listen, and make note of your observations in the natural world like Henry did. All ages.
Tuesdays	What Lives in Walden Pond? 2:00-3:00pm Main Beach Meet with a Park Interpreter to learn about the animals that Thoreau met during his stay here, and the new species that have come to call Walden Pond home since the 1840’s. All ages.
Wednesdays	19th Century Games 2:00-3:00pm Main Beach Meet with a Park Interpreter to play 19th century games, and learn more about how people enjoyed leisure time in the 19th century! All ages.
Thursdays	Thoreau House Talks 10:00am-12:00pm Swing by the Thoreau House Replica to learn about naturalist Henry David Thoreau during these ongoing 10-minute talks with a Park Interpreter. Bad weather relocates to Visitor Center. All ages.
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SPECIAL EVENTS

Sunday, September 24	Wild Apples; A Public Reading 1:00-2:30pm Join a park interpreter, and local Thoreau Scholar Richard Smith at the Visitor Center as we read about what Thoreau called the “noblest of fruits.” Want to be a reader? Email us at walden.programs@mass.gov subject “Wild Apples Reader”
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